

House Resolution No. 1680

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened to learn of the death of Leroy William Brown, Jr., on January 15, 2005, at the age of twenty-eight; and

Whereas, born on November 1, 1976, into the loving family of Leroy W. and Betty R. Brown of Kansas City, Leroy Brown, Jr., accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior on June 26, 1983, under the pastoral leadership of Dr. David O. Shipley, Sr.; and

Whereas, Leroy Brown, Jr., began his formal education at Dale's Academy; graduated from Westport High School in 1994; and attended Kansas State University and Missouri Western State College before earning a Bachelor of Liberal Studies from Lincoln University on December 13, 2002; and

Whereas, Leroy Brown, Jr., loved to attend Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, Second Baptist Youth, Youth Usher Board, and Youth Choir activities; and

Whereas, the coordinator for the 1992 Hal-O-Will-Be party for children, Leroy Brown, Jr., also loved to attend revivals which were held by Evangelist Manuel Scott, Jr., with whom he bonded and felt special affinity; and

Whereas, Leroy Brown, Jr., served as cochairman of the Second Baptist Youth's 47th Youth Achievement Day Program which utilized the theme, "Give of Your Best"; founded Second Baptist Church's "Thirst for Christ" Young Adult Ministry; and joined the Boy Scouts of America, after which time he developed an admiration for camping and fishing, earned the Fireman's Chip and Eagle Scout medallion, assisted with campouts and summer camps at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation, and took the name "Swift Running Red Fox" in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say; and

Whereas, Leroy Brown, Jr., is survived by his mother and father; siblings, Warranetta and James Wilson, Michelle R. Williams, Patricia and Tony Glenn, Carmen and Christopher Taylor, Consuela and Victor Harris, Shauntae and Harry White, Kenneth and O'Jeanae Williams, Sr., Clark L. Brown, Herman and Toni Brown, Roy and Kathleen Newton, and Roy and Camille Hill; and a host of other relatives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Leroy Brown and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to his many family members, colleagues, friends, and neighbors who now miss his considerable warmth and light in their daily lives; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of Leroy William Brown, Jr., of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Melba J. Curls
District No. 41

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1680, adopted March 31, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker